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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: LPDR REPEATED REQUEST FOR LIST OF EMBASSY LOCAL EMPLOYEES

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SUMMARY: LAO FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS HAVE SEVERAL TIMES ORALLY REITERATED REQUEST TO US FOR LIST OF OUR LOCAL EMPLOYEES. WE WERE TOLD THAT OTHER EMBASSIES EXCEPT FRENCH HAVE ALREADY PROVIDED LISTS, AND WE PROMISED DO SO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. ONE OFFICIAL TOLD US LISTS WOULD BE USED TO SEND EMPLOYEES OF ALL EMBASSIES TO TWO WEEK POLITICAL STUDY SESSIONS, WITH HALF OF EMPLOYEES FROM EACH EMBASSY GOING AT ONE TIME.  
END SUMMARY.

1. AS REPORTED REFTTEL, ON JUNE 25 EMBASSY RECEIVED DIPLOMATIC NOTE FROM THE FOREIGN MINISTRY REQUESTING NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF EMBASSY'S LAO AND THIRD COUNTRY NATIONAL EMPLOYEES. EARLY IN AUGUST THE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL ASKED AN EMBOFF WHEN THE  
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U.S. EMBASSY WAS GOING TO PROVIDE THE LIST OF OUR LOCAL EMPLOYEES

TO THE MINISTRY, STATING THAT ONLY THE FRENCH AND U.S. EMBASSIES HAD NOT YET PROVIDED SUCH A LIST IN RESPONSE TO THE MINISTRY'S NOTE. THE EMBOFF REPLIED THAT THE EMBASSY HAD CONSIDERABLE ADMINISTRATIVE WORK TO DO, INCLUDING THE MOVEMENT OF PERSONNEL FROM THE MILITARY ZONE AS REQUIRED BY THE MINISTRY. FURTHERMORE, SOME TIME HAD ELAPSED SINCE THE DEPARTURE OF THE PREVIOUS EMBASSY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, BUT A NEW ONE WAS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE SHORTLY AND HE SHOULD BE ABLE TO GET TO WORK ON THE LIST OF EMPLOYEES.

2. EMBOFFS WERE LATER TOLD BY FRENCH EMBASSY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER THAT HIS EMBASSY HAD RECEIVED FOREIGN MINISTRY NOTE IN LAO ASKING FOR NAMES OF BOTH EMBASSY EMPLOYEES AND HOUSEHOLD STAFF OF EMBASSY PERSONNEL. (NOTE WE RECEIVED IN FRENCH ASKS ONLY FOR FORMER.) FRENCH INDICATED THAT IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO SUBMIT INFORMATION NOW BECAUSE MANY OF THEIR PERSONNEL, SUCH AS TEACHERS, ARE ON VACATION. FRENCH THEREFORE PLAN TO SUBMIT INFORMATION END OF SEPTEMBER, WHICH APPARENTLY HAS FOREIGN MINISTRY OCCURRENCE. WE PLAN TO SUBMIT OUR LIST (ONLY OF EMBASSY EMPLOYEES) BEFORE THEN, SO AS NOT TO BE LAST TO REPLY.

3. ON AUGUST 19 SALY KHAMSY, DIRECTOR OF CONSULAR AFFAIRS, REQUESTED US TO PROVIDE OUR LIST OF EMPLOYEES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BECAUSE THE LPDR WAS PLANNING A SERIES OF STUDY SESSIONS FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF ALL FOREIGN EMBASSIES. HE SAID THE PLAN IS TO DIVIDE THE EMPLOYEES FROM EACH EMBASSY INTO TWO GROUPS SO THAT ONLY HALF WOULD BE AWAY FROM WORK AT ONE TIME. EACH GROUP WILL BE REQUIRED TO ATTEND A FIFTEEN DAY STUDY SESSION IN VIENTIANE THAT WILL RUN ALL DAY LONG. SALY EMPHASIZED THAT NO EMPLOYEES WILL BE SENT AWAY FROM VIENTIANE BUT THAT THEY WILL RETURN TO THEIR HOMES EACH EVENING. HE SAID THAT A FORMAL DIPLOMATIC NOTE WILL BE SENT LATER ALONG THESE LINES.

4. SALY ALSO REQUESTED A LIST OF ALL AMERICANS CURRENTLY IN LAOS HOLDING DIPLOMATIC, OFFICIAL, OR REGULAR PASSPORTS. CONSULAR OFFICER AT A LATER MEETING PROVIDED SALY WITH EMBASSY'S LIST OF DIPLOMATIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL WHICH DOES NOT CONTAIN PASSPORT INFORMATION. CONSULAR OFFICER ALSO EXPLAINED TO HIM THAT THE EMBASSY HAD NO WAY OF KNOWING THE NAMES OF ALL AMERICANS WITH REGULAR PASSPORTS CURRENTLY IN LAOS.

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